Dec. 26, 1928.

Hon. William A. Collier,
C/o Collier & Collier,
Memphis, Tenn.

Dear Mr. Collier:

I am sending you some data on the Collier family that was prepared by me about three years ago. I am still taking extracts on the Colliers, the descendants of Isaac who came from England to America in 1650. I have two desk drawers full, but have not attempted to compile them. I have got to make three or four trips around, Petersburg, Va., University City, etc.

The more I investigate our family the more I become satisfied that it has been an industrious clan. The whole bulk of them here in Georgia are all honorable people. Some are poor, especially those that remained on the farm, but they are people of high ideals, persevering, debt paying; and then a good many of them have accumulated quite a lot this world's goods.

The Virginia Cousins" is not exactly correct as to my great-grandfather, Robert Collier, but the extract that I herewith enclose is correct.

My son, Mr. Durward Cuthbert Collier, while in Europe three years ago visited the Collier cemetery at Stone, Staffordshire County, England, and he met a man there by the name of Collier, but he could not tell him anything. Apparently the descendants of the old family in Europe know less about their ancestors than we do here in America.

My great-grandmother was Martha Marshall Booker, on my father's side, who was the wife of Robert Collier. One of my great-grandfathers was Thomas Bass Greene, a descendant of James Greene of Revolutionary fame. My mother's people were Means. They were Scotch and came into this country after the Revolutionary War. My wife belongs to the Stephens and Powell families. They came from Virginia to Georgia about 1780 to 1790. At that time quite a few families came into Georgia together. For instance the Andrews, Hightowers, Smiths, Powells, Howards, Stephens, Colquitts, Sharmans, etc. Along about 1822 at the time of the McIntosh Treaty over near Indian Springs, Georgia, these same families migrated from Augusta, Waynesville, Washington, etc. into what is now known as Central Georgia; viz. Crawford, Monroe, Upson and Talbot Counties.

I trust that you are well and enjoying to the fullest extent all of the Season's blessings.

Hoping to have the pleasure of seeing you personally during the spring and that you may sometime visit us here in Georgia, I beg to remain

Yours most cordially,

JCC:S

Enc. Collier Data.